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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:

K. Matsutani, et al.

Serial No.: 09/939,579

Art Unit: 3731

Filed: August 28, 2001

Examiner: D. Davis

For: Ophthalmologic Knife

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an Extension of Time for the period indicated below be granted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to take the action required in the above-identified application, as reflected by the papers submitted herewith.

	<u>Other than Small Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
First Month	___ \$110.00	<u>X</u> \$55.00
Second Month	___ \$400.00	___ \$200.00
Third Month	___ \$920.00	___ \$460.00

X A check in the amount of \$55 is attached hereto. This amount is believed to be correct; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1424. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

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